

AT BEDTIME.

LITTLE hands—dear, busy hands—
That your child books marked all o'er,
Come and lie in mine to-night;
Pat "poor mamma's seek" once more.

LITTLE feet—swift, willing feet—
That upon love's errands ran,
Patter o'er the floor to-night;
"Dance for mamma" once again.

LITTLE heart—fond, trusting heart—
That for all so warmly beat,
Fearless, glad, again to-night,
Beat in all thy child-love sweet.

LITTLE head—dear little head—
In beauty's mould with golden crown,
Lovingly again to-night
"Beside mamma's" nestle down.

LITTLE eyes—bright, beaming eyes—
Starry light through heaven's own blue,
Into mamma's shine to-night,
Twinkling, tender, thoughtful, too.

LITTLE tongue—O hisping tongue—
That we listen to in joy,
O come back and say to-night,
"Mamma's baby, papa's boy."

LITTLE lips—sweet, winning lips—
Ne'er refusing kiss or smile,
Come and kiss us all "dood-night,"
Smiling, too, for us the while.

O our little blue-eyed boy!
Anguish you will never know
Such as this that sweeps to-night
O'er our hearts all bruised so;

And we give you up—our boy!
All our hope, our life, our light!
But when bedtime comes, our lips
Whisper, little dear, good-night.

LESSON NOTES.

SECOND QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.

A.D. 30] LESSON XII. [June 23

JESUS RISEN.

Mark 16. 1-15.

Commit to mem. vs. 6, 7.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. 1 Cor. 15. 20.

OUTLINE.

1. The Empty Sepulchre. v. 1-8.
2. The Risen Saviour, v. 9-13.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

What had Jesus told his disciples before his death? That he would rise again.

Who came to his tomb on the morning of the third day? Mary Magdalene, also her Mary, and Salome.

What did they bring with them? Sweet spices to anoint the body of Jesus.

What did they see when they came to the tomb? That the stone was rolled away.

Whom did they see in the tomb? A young man clothed in white.

What did he tell them? That Jesus had risen.

What did he tell them to do? To go and tell the disciples.

Where did he say the Lord would meet them? In Galilee.

What did the women do? They hurried away.

Who first saw Jesus after he rose? Mary Magdalene.

Whom did she tell? The disciples.

What did she find them doing? Mourning and weeping.

Why could they not believe the news? It seemed too good to be true.

To whom did Jesus afterward appear? To two disciples as they walked in the country.

To whom did they tell it? To the disciples in Jerusalem.

What do we call the day on which Jesus rose? The Lord's day.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Jesus rose from the dead as he said he would. Because he rose, you shall rise also.

Have you lost a friend? Has mother, or little sister, or brother, or a dear playmate been laid to sleep in the dark ground? How good to think that Jesus went through the gate of death, and left it open to all who believe in him?

"Because I live, ye shall live also!"

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—The resurrection.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

13. Where did God put the first man and woman?

God put the first man and woman in the garden of Eden.

TEMPERANCE LESSON.

A.D. 30] LESSON XIII. [June 30

1 Cor. 8. 4-13.

Commit to mem. vs. 12, 13.

GOLDEN TEXT.

Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend. 1 Cor. 8. 13.

OUTLINE.

1. Knowledge, v. 4-8.
2. Liberty, v. 9-13.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

To whom did Paul write a letter? To the Christian Corinthians.

What does he write about in this lesson? The eating of meats.

What had some Christians eaten? Meats that had been offered to idols.

What did others think? That this was wrong.

Who is the one true God? Our Father in heaven?

Who is his dear Son, our Saviour? Jesus.

What does he teach us to do? To love one another.

What does love teach us to do? To help one another.

Did Paul say it was wrong to eat this meat? No; he did not.

What did he say was wrong? To harm a weak brother.

How might a weak brother be harmed? By seeing a Christian eat the idol-meats.

What does love forbid us to do? To use strong drink.

Why? Because our example might lead others to do it.

Who died for the weak, as well as the strong? Jesus.

If we love him, what will we do? Deny self for his sake.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

What Self does.	What Love does.
Takes its own way.	Love is ready to give up.
Does not look out for others.	Love thinks about others.
Does not care if others suffer.	Love wants to keep others from going wrong.
	"Love seeketh not her own."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Christian liberty.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

14. In whose image was man created? Man was created in the image or likeness of God.

LOVELY CHILDREN.

ON a little girl's tombstone in France there is carved a rose, with these words underneath: "She was just like that."

Among the discovered tombstones of the early Christians there is one of a little girl, and these are the words written on it: "Here rests the body of Norvarina, who fell asleep in Jesus at the age of nine. She was as sweet as honey."

Pleasant words, loving deeds, smiling faces make children now "sweet as honey" and delightful as roses. Yes, children may be even more lovely than the flowers, for the flowers fade and the perfume dies, but the beautiful life goes on forever.